

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A steering column apparatus comprising:

a steering shaft having its rear end to which a steering wheel is secured;

5 a steering column supporting rotatably said steering shaft and adjustable of its length in axial directions together with said steering shaft; and

telescopic position fixing means for fixing said steering column to a desired length,

10 wherein said steering column is constructed of an outer column fixed on a car body side and an inner column slidably fitted in said outer column,

said telescopic position fixing means is constructed of a lock housing formed on said outer column, first and second press blocks slidably held  
15 by said lock housing and moving forwards and backwards in a way that embraces an outer peripheral surface of said inner column, and presses block driving means for bringing said first and second  
20 press blocks into a press-contact with said inner column, and

said press block driving means includes a fixed cam provided on said second press block, a rotatable cam facing said fixed cam, a fastening lever used for  
25 rotating said rotatable cam, and interval regulating means for regulating an interval between said rotatable cam and said first press block.

2. A steering column apparatus according to  
claim 1, wherein said press block driving means  
includes biasing means for biasing said first press  
5 block and said second press block in such a direction  
as to be separated away from each other.

3. A steering column apparatus according to  
claim 1, wherein said fixed cam is made integral with  
10 said second press block.

4. A steering column apparatus according to  
claim 1, wherein said press block driving means  
further includes an inclined guide member, formed in  
15 said lock housing, for assisting at least one of said  
first and second press blocks to descend or ascend in  
such a direction as to be separated away from said  
inner column on such an occasion that said first and  
second press blocks are separated away from each  
20 other.

5. A steering column apparatus comprising:  
a steering shaft having its rear end to which a  
steering wheel is secured;  
25 a steering column supporting rotatably said  
steering shaft and adjustable of its length in axial  
directions together with said steering shaft; and

telescopic position adjusting means for fixing  
said steering column to a desired length,

wherein said steering column is constructed of  
an outer column fixed on a car body side and an inner  
5 column slidably internally fitted to said outer  
column,

said telescopic position adjusting means is  
constructed of a lock housing formed on said outer  
column, first and second press blocks slidably held  
10 by said lock housing and moving forwards and  
backwards in a way that embraces an outer peripheral  
surface of said inner column, and presses block  
driving means for bringing said first and second  
press blocks into a press-contact with said inner  
15 column, and

said press block driving means includes a  
fastening bolt having its one end fixed to said first  
press block and penetrating said second press block,  
a nut screwed onto a threaded portion formed at the  
20 other end of said fastening bolt and having its side  
surface abutting on said second press block, a  
fastening lever used for rotating said nut, and an  
inclined guide member, formed in said lock housing,  
for assisting at least one of said first and second  
25 press blocks to descend or ascend in such a direction  
as to be separated away from said inner column on  
such an occasion that said first and second press

blocks are separated away from each other.